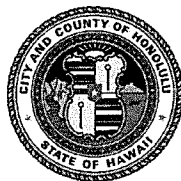


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The Honorable Amy A. Perruso, Vice Chair  
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The Honorable John M. Mizuno, Chair  
The Honorable Bertrand Kobayashi, Vice Chair  
and Members of the House Committee on Health  
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Dear Chair Woodson, Chair Mizuno, and Members of the Committees:

**SUBJECT: Senate Concurrent Resolution 81**

The Department of Transportation Services is in strong support of this resolution, and our office oversees the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program for the City and County of Honolulu.

This measure promotes broader participation by all public schools in SRTS, and DTS encourages all schools to join the program. A SRTS plan can help schools, parents, and the community identify ways to make it safer for children to walk and bike to/from school and create partnerships to achieve SRTS goals. The SRTS program is also comprehensive in that it considers five E's to encourage children to walk and bike more to/from school: Education, Encouragement, Engineering, Enforcement, and Evaluation.

DTS encourages every school to have an SRTS plan regardless of the number of children who currently walk or bicycle. We are working on a project near Fern Elementary School that proposes a separated walkway for pedestrians on

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Kamehameha IV Road and Kahauiki Street where there is currently no sidewalk for children to use on their way to school.

Expanded participation in this program means more children in more communities statewide will have safe and healthy options to travel between home and school.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W Frysztacki', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Wes Frysztacki  
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